James

Chapter 4 (Pt. 1)

Luke 8:14 *And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and <u>pleasures</u> of life, and their fruit does not mature.*

Titus 3:3 *For we ourselves were once foolish, disobedient, led astray, slaves to various passions and <u>pleasures</u>, passing our days in malice and envy, hated by others and hating one another.*

2 Peter 2:13 *suffering wrong as the wage for their wrongdoing. They count it <u>pleasure</u> to revel in the daytime. They are blots and blemishes, reveling in their deceptions, while they feast with you.*

1 Peter 2:11 *Beloved, I urge you as sojourners and exiles to abstain from the passions of the flesh, which wage war against your soul.*

Who is your Master?

אדוני

Adonai (?)

"My LORD"

ἡδονή

eidonei (?)

"pleasure"

How should we translate James 4:5?

King James Version

Do ye think that the scripture saith in vain, The spirit that dwelleth in us lusteth to envy?

New American Standard

Or do you think that the Scripture speaks to no purpose: "He jealously desires the Spirit which He has made to dwell in us"?

English Standard Version

Or do you suppose it is to no purpose that the Scripture says, "He yearns jealously over the spirit that he has made to dwell in us"?

New International Version (NIV)

Or do you think Scripture says without reason that the spirit he caused to live in us envies intensely?

Darby Translation

Think ye that the scripture speaks in vain? Does the Spirit which has taken his abode in us desire enviously?

Concordant Literal New Testament

Or are you supposing that the scripture is saying this for naught? Is the spirit which dwells in us longing to envy?

Matthew 6:24 *"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and Mammon."*

Who is your God?

אלהים   or   Μαμμωνᾶς

Elohim   ***Mammonas***

What is THE single greatest pleasure?